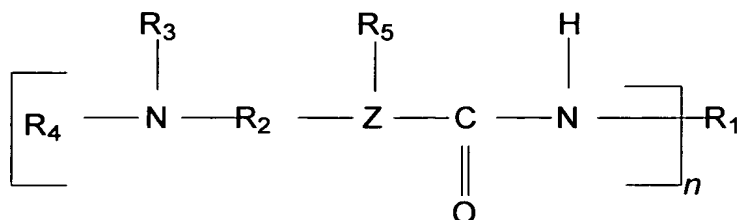


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-24 (Canceled).

25. (Original) A cured coating layer comprising:

(a) a material having the structure:



wherein R_1 is an organic radical having 6 to 25 carbon atoms, R_2 is an organic radical having 1 to 20 carbon atoms; R_3 and R_4 are independently alkyl or phenyl groups having 1 to 8 carbon atoms; Z is oxygen or nitrogen and when Z is oxygen, R_5 is absent and when Z is nitrogen, R_5 is hydrogen or

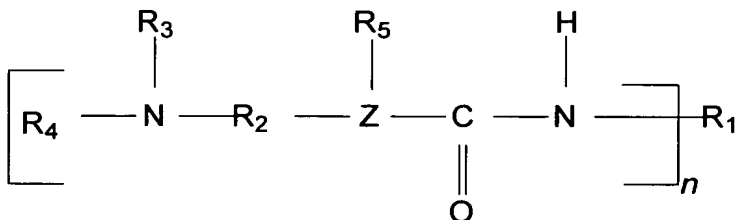


each R_3 and each R_4 are the same or different; and n is 1 to 4; and

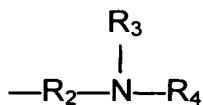
(b) a polyepoxide;

wherein the polyepoxide has reacted with itself during cure.

26. (Original) A method for initiating self cure of a polyepoxide resin comprising adding to a composition comprising said resin a catalyst having the structure



wherein R₁ is an organic radical having 6 to 25 carbon atoms, R₂ is an organic radical having 1 to 20 carbon atoms; R₃ and R₄ are independently alkyl or phenyl groups having 1 to 8 carbon atoms; Z is oxygen or nitrogen and when Z is oxygen R₅ is absent and when Z is nitrogen, R₅ is hydrogen or



and when R₅ is $\begin{array}{c} \text{R}_3 \\ | \\ -\text{R}_2-\text{N}-\text{R}_4 \end{array}$, each R₂, each R₃ and each R₄ are the same or different; and n is 1 to 4.

27. (Original) The method of Claim 26, wherein said catalyst further comprises an acidic hydrogen-containing compound.

28. (Currently amended) The composition of Claim 4 25, wherein R₂ is alkylene.

29. (Currently amended) The composition of Claim 4 25, wherein R₃ and R₄ are alkyl.

Claims 30-33 (Canceled).